

XXXIII.—*Description of a new Deer from Mount Dulit, Eastern Sarawak.* By CHARLES HOSE, Resident of Baram, Sarawak.

DURING my exploration of Mount Dulit in 1892 \* a species of Deer was met with clearly different from the common Bornean Deer (*Cervus equinus*), but unfortunately the only specimen of it that we could obtain was young, so that I am not at present able to describe the adult animal. The young specimen, however, which is now in the Natural History Museum at South Kensington, is so different from equally young individuals of *C. equinus*, that I feel no doubt that it is really distinct from that species, the only Bornean Deer to which it could be related. I would propose for it, in honour of H.H. the Rajah of Sarawak, the name of

*Cervus Brookei*, sp. n.

General colour of the fawn rufous, browner on head, neck, and shoulders, richer on the posterior back, fore limbs from elbows downwards, thighs, and outer sides of hind limbs. Muzzle and sides of face brown; forehead and crown rufous. Ears externally dark blackish brown, edged with pale rufous, internally whitish. Back with an indistinct mesial blackish line. Shoulders and rump spotted, the spots small, yellowish, few in number on the shoulders, more numerous on the upper side of the rump. Inner sides of limbs, both fore and hind, and belly whitish, with a strong suffusion of rufous, especially towards the feet. Chest between the fore limbs deep shining black, this colour extending backwards along the lower part of the sides, where it is divided in the centre by the whitish or yellowish belly-colour. Middle of metatarsals with an elongated tuft of rich rufous hairs, tipped with black. Feet rufous, without black markings. Tail bushy, deep shining black. In size this species probably attains a stature nearly or quite equal to that of *C. equinus*.

*Hab.* Mount Dulit, E. Sarawak.

The young specimens of *C. equinus* that I have seen in Sarawak differ from the type of this species by being almost or quite unspotted, and by having none of the striking contrast between the deep black of the chest and tail and the brilliant rufous of the sides and rump characteristic of *C. Brookei*.

\* See 'Geographical Journal,' vol. i. p. 193, Mar. 1893.